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An Act

TO

INCORPORATE THE MEDICAL COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA.

Section 1.—Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in general assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That [Doctors] Thomas T. Hewson, Thomas Harris, Robert M. Huston, George W. Norris, Robert Bridges, H. Bond, C. D. Meigs, William Darrach, Reynell Coates, J. Brookfield, Joseph Warrington, Joseph Carson, F. Turnpenny, Franklin Bache, John Bell, Jacob Jeanes, J. F. Zorns, W. H. Gillingham, William D. Brinklé, Jacob Sharp, Thomas O. Goldsmith, J. N. Marselles, H. D. Dietrich, David C. Skerrett, J. M. Pugh, Robert E. James, M. M. Levis, Samuel Strohecker, Adam Schroener, Philip C. Donnelly, Jesse W. Griffiths, John Uhler, F. K. Morton, Abraham Helfenstein, Isaac Kline, Thomas H. Yardley, Benjamin S. Janney, Joseph Parrish, Isaiah R. Matlack, Nathaniel Hatfield, George B. Wood, Isaac Hays, Samuel Jackson, late of Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, William Gray, William C. McPherson, and their associates and successors be, and they are hereby made and created a body politic and corporate in law and in fact, by the name and style of the Medical College of Philadelphia, and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and may sue and be sued, have a common seal, purchase and hold and convey all lands and tenements, moneys, goods, chattels, and effects, make all by-laws necessary or proper for the uses of a Medical College, and immediately connected therewith, not contrary to the constitution and laws of this commonwealth, and do all and every other matter and thing for the purposes of this act which any corporation or body politic may or can do.

Section 2.—The objects of the corporation hereby created, shall be to cultivate the science of medicine and all its collateral branches, to encourage the prolongation of the term of study, and the increase of the extent of preliminary knowledge required of candidates for medical honours, to designate such courses of instruction as from time to time may be deemed necessary for the advancement of the science and the elevation of the medical character, and to examine and decide on the qualifications of candidates for medical degrees.

Section 3.—The officers of said college shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary, and such other officers as shall be provided for by the by-laws; and said officers shall be elected by the members of said corporation, at such times, in such manner, and for such terms, as shall be provided for by the by-laws; and said corporation shall have power to enact by-laws for the government, admission, and expulsion of members—*Provided always*, that no organized faculty of professors or teachers shall ever be established by the authority of said College, unless some other collegiate institution, or institutions now or hereafter established within the city of Philadelphia, shall enact laws interfering with the attendance of any medical student upon such course or courses of medical instruction delivered by authority of such collegiate institution or institutions as said student may prefer or select.

Section 4.—Said College shall have power to grant the degree of Bachelor of Medicine to any such persons as shall have completed a course of study

similar to that now usually required of candidates for the degree of Doctor of Medicine in other colleges in this State.

Section 5.—Said college shall have power to grant the degree of Doctor of Medicine to any persons who shall have fulfilled the requisites hereinafter mentioned, with such others as from time to time may be presented by the by-laws.

Section 6.—Each candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medicine in said College shall have attained the age of twenty-two years; he shall have pursued the study of medicine for the term of at least three years under the direction of one or more graduates in Medicine; he shall have attended lectures in the city or county of Philadelphia on each of the following branches, or on such subdivisions thereof as shall be deemed collectively equivalent thereto, delivered by lecturers recognised by said College, and shall have attended the same to the number of courses herein designated, and upon each course for a period of four months; *Anatomy, general and special*, two courses; *Chemistry*, one course; *Natural Philosophy*, one course; *Physiology and Pathology*, two courses; *Materia Medica and Pharmacy*, two courses; *Special Therapeutics*, two courses; *Institutes and Practice of Surgery*, two courses; *Obstetrics*, two courses; *Diseases of Women and Children*, one course; *Medical Jurisprudence*, one course. He shall, also, have pursued at least one course of *Dissections* under the directions of a teacher recognised by the College, and shall have attended for at least one year the practice of some hospital containing not less than fifty beds, and in which clinical instruction is given. He shall also produce to the College satisfactory evidence that he possesses a good moral character.

Section 7.—The degrees herein mentioned shall be granted on such terms and in such manner as shall be prescribed by the by-laws, conformably to the foregoing sections; and all fees received from persons applying for degrees shall be distributed and applied in such manner as shall be directed by the by-laws.

Section 8.—The Legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal the privileges hereby granted.

WM. HOPKINS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES B. PENROSE,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved this eleventh day of October, A.D., eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

DAVID R. PORTER.

PENNSYLVANIA, S.S.

Secretary's Office.

I do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Medical College of Philadelphia;" as the same remains filed in this office. Witness my hand and seal of office at Harrisburg the seventeenth of October, A.D., eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

FR. R. SHUNK,
Secretary of the Comm'wealth.

[The only difference between this printed copy and that sent by the Secretary is in the omission of the word Doctor before the names of some of the incorporators, all of whom equally bear it, and a correction, in some few cases, of their first names. The prenomens of Parrish should be Isaac. Dr. Isaac Parrish was a petitioner for the act of Incorporation, and an original member of the College.]

P R E A M B L E.*

WHEREAS, We, the undersigned, Physicians of Philadelphia, have agreed to associate ourselves for the purpose of claiming, on behalf of the Profession, that influence over the regulation of Medical Instruction, and the means of Medical Improvement, which is so essential to the respectability of the Profession and to the best interests of Humanity; and

WHEREAS, We are desirous of acquiring the rights and immunities of a body politic and corporate for the furtherance of this legal and honorable purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, We do hereby associate ourselves, under the following Constitution, for the purposes therein expressed.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

THE Association shall for ever hereafter be called and known by the name of "THE MEDICAL COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA."

ARTICLE II.

The objects of the said College shall be to cultivate the Science of Medicine, and all its collateral branches; to designate such courses of instruction as, from time to time, may be deemed necessary for the advancement of the Science and the elevation of the Medical Character; to examine and decide on the qualifications of Candidates for degrees, and to secure these advantages to the Profession.

* This declaratory Preamble, together with the Constitution and By-Laws which follow, were the same as those adopted in the year 1836, except some modifications since made in the two latter, in conformity with the Act of Incorporation.

ARTICLE III.

The Officers of the said College shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary, and such other officers as may be designated by the By-Laws, to be chosen annually, from among the members of said College, on the first Monday in March, or within three calendar months thereafter; and the said officers, thus elected, shall be and remain the President, Vice-Presidents, &c., respectively, until their places be supplied by a new election to be made by the members of the said College as aforesaid; and all vacancies by death, resignation, or otherwise, which shall at any time hereafter happen in any of the said offices, may be filled by a special election, to be holden as often as occasion shall require; and the duties of the said officers severally shall be prescribed by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV.

The said College shall have power to grant and confirm in the manner and form prescribed by its By-Laws, such degrees in Medicine, to such Students or others, whom, by their proficiency in learning or other meritorious distinction, they shall deem entitled to them, as are usually conferred in other Colleges and Universities; and to grant to such graduates such diplomas or certificates, under its common seal, as may authenticate and perpetuate the memory of such graduation.

ARTICLE V.

The said College shall establish a Board of Examiners, to consist of not less than six persons, Physicians, resident in the city and county of Philadelphia, who shall be chosen at such times, in such manner, and for such periods as the By-Laws of the College shall ordain; and it shall be the duty of the said Board to examine into the qualifications of such Students or others as may appear before them, and to certify the same to the College.

ARTICLE VI.

Said College shall have power to grant the degree of *Bachelor of Medicine* to any such person as shall have completed a course of study similar to that now usually required of candidates for the degree of Doctor of Medicine in other Colleges of this State.

ARTICLE VII.

Said College shall have power to grant the degree of *Doctor of Medicine* to any person who shall have fulfilled the requisites hereinafter mentioned, with such others as from time to time may be prescribed by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII.

A Candidate for the degree of DOCTOR OF MEDICINE must have attained the age of twenty-two years, and have pursued the study of medicine for the term of at least three years under the direction of one or more graduates in medicine. He must have attended lectures, in the city and county of Philadelphia, on each of the following mentioned branches, or on such subdivisions as shall be deemed collectively equivalent thereto, delivered by lecturers recognised by the College, and during the number of courses set opposite to each branch, herein designated, and upon each course for a period of four months, viz. :

1. ANATOMY, General and Special: *Two Courses.*
2. CHEMISTRY: *One Course.*
3. NATURAL PHILOSOPHY: *One Course.*
4. INSTITUTES OF MEDICINE, OR PHYSIOLOGY AND PATHOLOGY: *Two Courses.*
5. MATERIA MEDICA AND PHARMACY: *Two Courses.*
6. SPECIAL THERAPEUTICS: *Two Courses.*
7. INSTITUTES OF SURGERY: *Two Courses.*
8. OBSTETRICS: *Two Courses.*
9. DISEASES OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN: *One Course.*
10. MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE: *One Course.*

The candidate must also have pursued at least one course of dissections under the direction of a teacher recognised by the College, and have attended for at least one year the practice of some hospital containing not less than fifty beds, and in which clinical instruction is given. He shall also produce to the College satisfactory evidence that he possesses a good moral character.

ARTICLE IX.

The said College shall have power to make, have, and use one common Seal, with such device and inscription as it shall think proper, and the same to break, alter, and renew at its pleasure; it shall have power and authority to make Rules, By-Laws, and Ordinances, and to do every other act and thing needful for the good government and support of the affairs of the said College: *Provided always*, That the said Rules, By-Laws, or Ordinances, or any of them be not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States, and the Laws of this Commonwealth, or to this Instrument.

ARTICLE X.

The said College shall hold regular meetings, at least once in every period of three months: *Provided always*, That no meeting of said College shall be held unless called and announced in two or more of the daily papers, published in Philadelphia, at least one week before the time at which the said meeting is intended to be held.

ARTICLE XI.

No misnomer of the said corporation shall defeat or annul any gift, grant, devise, or bequest, to or from the said corporation: *Provided*, The interest of the parties shall sufficiently appear on the face of the gift, grant, will, or other writing, whereby any estate or other interest was intended to pass to or from said corporation.

BY - L A W S

OF THE

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA.

CHAPTER I.

OF MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP.

The College shall consist of Members and Associates.

OF MEMBERS.

SECTION I.—Any Citizen of the United States and a graduate, of three years' standing, of a respectable Medical School, who shall have attained the age of twenty-five years, and who shall have been a resident within the City and County of Philadelphia, for at least twelve months previously to his nomination, may be proposed for membership, in writing, by two members, at any stated meeting of the College. And it shall be the duty of one of the persons proposing him for membership, to declare that he is duly qualified agreeably to the requirements of this Section.

SECT. II.—At the next stated meeting, the Secretary having announced in his notices that a new member will be balloted for, the nomination shall be called up, and if the College shall, by a previous vote, express itself to be prepared, the candidate shall be balloted for ; and provided three-fourths of the votes given be in the affirmative, the requisite quorum being present, [see By-Laws, Chap. 3, Sect. 3,] the presiding officer shall declare him to be duly elected a member of the College.

SECT. III.—Every member elect shall pay an initiation fee of five dollars, and at the stated meeting in January an annual contribution of five dollars; provided, that he shall be at all times at liberty to commute this contribution by the payment of fifty dollars in one sum, which payment shall exempt him from all annual contributions to the College during his life.

SECT. IV.—No member elect shall be permitted to take his seat in the College until he shall have subscribed his name to the Constitution, and paid his initiation fee as above specified.

SECT. V.—If any member shall delay the payment of his annual contribution for the space of one year from the time at which it became due, he shall not be allowed to vote on any question before the College until the said contribution be paid ; and if he shall delay the payment of any annual contribution for the space of two years from the date at which it became due, he shall thereby forfeit his right of membership, excepting in case of continued absence from Philadelphia.

SECT. VI.—Any member removing permanently from Philadelphia, or remaining absent therefrom during the term of three years, shall thereby forfeit his right of voting on any question connected with the local interests of the College, or with the business of medical instruction by it established ; nor shall he be permitted to resume that right on again becoming a

resident of Philadelphia until after the expiration of one entire year; all his other rights as a member of the College shall however remain unaffected.

SECTION VII.—Any physician who is a citizen of the United States, of well-known and distinguished merit, not resident in Philadelphia, may be nominated and elected an associate of the College, in the manner and form prescribed by the first two sections of this chapter. Associates shall enjoy all the rights of membership excepting those of voting and eligibility to office.

CHAPTER II.

OF OFFICERS.

SECTION I.—The officers of the College shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and two Curators; to be chosen annually, by ballot, on the first Monday of March, or within three calendar months thereafter; also a Board of Examiners, to be chosen in the manner hereafter specified.

SECT. II.—The *President* shall maintain order, regulate debates, and sign all warrants upon the Treasurer, drawn by order of the College. He shall have power to call special meetings at his own discretion, and it shall be his duty to call them whenever requested in writing by five members of the College. He shall not discuss any subject while in the chair, but may assign his reasons on deciding a question of order. He shall have no vote, excepting on a ballot, or upon a call for the yeas and nays.

SECT. III.—The *Vice-Presidents* shall perform in rotation the duties of the President in the absence of that officer, or at his request when present; in the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents, a Chairman for the meeting shall be appointed, *viva voce*.

SECT. IV.—The *Treasurer* shall collect and receive all moneys due to the College, and shall pay them only upon warrants drawn by order of the College, and signed by the officer who shall preside at the meeting at which the warrants were ordered to be drawn; which warrants shall be the vouchers for his expenditures. He shall present a statement of the finances of the College annually, at the stated meeting in January, and at such other times as the College may direct.

SECT. V.—The *Corresponding Secretary* shall give notice to Associates of their elections, and manage all matters of Correspondence, unless otherwise ordered by the College. He shall copy into a book provided for the purpose all letters which he may write officially, and keep a regular and uniform file of all those which he receives.

SECT. VI.—The *Recording Secretary* shall keep regular and accurate minutes of the proceeding of the College, and, after their approval, record them in a book provided for the purpose. He shall keep a list of the members, indicating the date of their election, the time of their death, resignation, or loss of membership, and also a list of the names and residences of Associates. He shall receive and preserve all books of Records and papers belonging to the College, provide Certificates of membership, and notify all officers and members elect of their election. He shall cause a manuscript copy of all unpublished by-laws actually in force, to be inserted in a book provided for that purpose, and which shall be accessible to members at every stated meeting of the College, and at such other times as the College may from time to time direct; and he shall perform such other duties as usually appertain to his office.

SECT. VII.—The *Curators* shall take charge of, and preserve all property belonging to the College, excepting money and such books and papers as appertain to the duties of other officers. They shall keep an exact list of the same, together with the names of the donors, in a book provided for the purpose, and at all times open to the inspection of the College. They shall make a full and regular report of the nature and condition of the said property at the stated meeting in October of every year, and shall deliver the same up to their successors in office. Before entering upon the duties of their office they shall give to the Treasurer a receipt for every thing committed to their care.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

SECT. VIII.—The College shall choose by ballot at the time of the first annual election subsequent to its organization, or as soon thereafter as convenient, six graduates of medicine, of at least ten years' standing, and of distinguished reputation in their profession, to serve as a Board of Examiners, the duties of which are hereafter prescribed. Of the said six Examiners, two shall be chosen by name to serve for the term of one year, two others by name to serve for the term of two years, and two others by name to serve for the term of three years; and annually thereafter, the College shall elect by ballot two persons, qualified as above, to serve for the term of three years, in the place of those whose term of service shall have expired.

SECT. IX.—No person shall be elected a member of the Board of Examiners who is engaged in giving public instruction, whether by lectures or examinations, upon any branch of Medical Science included in the course prescribed by the College; and if any person elected to the Board of Examiners shall so engage at any time during his term of service therein, his station in the Board shall thereby be rendered vacant: *Provided*, however, that remarks at the bedside in a hospital, shall not be considered as constituting lectures.

SECT. X.—No election for a member or members of the Board of Examiners shall be held at any meeting of the College at which there are not at least twenty qualified voters present, nor shall any candidate be deemed duly elected unless a majority of all such as may be present shall vote in his favour.

SECT. XI.—At the stated meeting of the College next succeeding the election of a member or members of the Board of Examiners, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the said member or members shall appear before the College, and the Presiding officer shall deliver to him or them the following address :

“ Sir, or Gentlemen,—

“ The Medical College of Philadelphia, reposing high confidence in your professional honour and scientific attainments, has publicly expressed the same, by calling you to aid in the performance of the most important duties which devolve upon it, in electing you a member (or members) of the Board of Examiners instituted by its Constitution. In accordance then with the regulations by law established, do you solemnly declare and affirm, that so long as you continue a member (or members) of the said Board, you will faithfully, justly, and impartially discharge the trusts and duties, both legal and moral, imposed upon you by the ordinances in this case made and provided.”

Assent being given by the said member or members, the presiding officer shall declare him or them duly inaugurated.

SECT. XII.—If at any time a vacancy or vacancies shall occur among the officers, by death, resignation, or otherwise, the College shall proceed to fill the same, at a special meeting called for that purpose, of which meeting notice shall be given in writing to every member of the College by the Recording Secretary, or, in case of that office being vacant by the Corresponding Secretary, at least one week before the time at which the said meeting is to be held.

CHAPTER III.

OF MEETINGS AND RULES OF ORDER.

SECTION I.—The College shall hold stated meetings on the first Wednesday of January, April, July, and October, in every year. The meetings shall be convened at seven o'clock, P.M., in the two first-mentioned months, and at eight o'clock, P.M., in the two last.

SECT. II.—On every Wednesday evening when the College is not in session, the hall shall be open to the members and such friends as they may introduce, for the purpose of reading and social intercourse.

SECT. III.—The quorum of members required for enacting or altering a by-law shall be thirty qualified voters; for the election of Examiners, and for the election or expulsion of a member, twenty qualified voters; in all other cases the members present shall constitute a quorum.

SECT. IV.—At every stated meeting of the College the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the last stated and every intervening meeting, and their correction if necessary.
2. Reports of Committees.
3. Communications in writing from others than members.
4. Stated business of the meeting.
5. Unfinished and deferred business.
6. Nominations for membership.
7. New business.
8. Written communications from members.
9. Oral communications from members.

SECT. V.—Whenever the President notifies the Recording Secretary to call a special meeting of the College, he shall state to him, in writing, the business to be brought before the said

meeting; which statement shall be read from the chair immediately after the meeting is organized, and entered at length upon the minutes; and no business shall be transacted at such meeting, unless it have an immediate relation to that expressed in the statement referred to.

SECT. VI.—No question shall be considered open for discussion except when brought forward by motion duly made and seconded, and then distinctly stated by the presiding officer. The name of the mover of each motion to be entered upon the minutes.

SECT. VII.—When a member speaks he shall stand up, addressing himself to the presiding officer, and confining himself strictly to the question under consideration.

SECT. VIII.—No member shall be interrupted whilst speaking excepting by a call to order.

SECT. IX.—The presiding officer shall decide all calls to order, unless an appeal be made to the College, the vote upon which shall be taken without debate.

SECT. X.—No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice upon the same question, without previously asking and obtaining leave from the members present.

SECT. XI.—Whilst any question is under consideration no motion shall be received excepting to divide the question, to amend, to postpone, to refer to a committee, or to adjourn.

SECT. XII.—Motions for a division of the question, for its postponement, or reference to a committee, and for adjournment, shall always be determined without debate.

SECT. XIII.—A motion to adjourn shall take precedence of all others; a motion for postponement shall preclude commitment; that for commitment shall preclude amendment, or a decision on the original question.

SECT. XIV.—The mover with the consent of the seconder, may withdraw any motion previously to its amendment, commitment, or to the question upon its final passage being put by the presiding officer.

SECT. XV.—No question shall be reconsidered excepting on the motion of two members who voted in the majority, submitted at the meeting at which the same was discussed, or at the next adjourned or stated meeting.

SECT. XVI.—A motion that has been negatived cannot be again brought forward at the same meeting, excepting upon a motion to reconsider.

SECT. XVII.—When a blank is to be filled, the question shall be first taken on the largest sum, greatest number, and remotest period.

SECT. XVIII.—Two members may demand the yeas and nays on any question which is not required to be decided by ballot, and have them entered upon the minutes. The presiding officer in such cases shall always vote last.

CHAPTER IV.

OF COMMITTEES.

SECTION I.—Special committees shall be appointed in the following manner, excepting when otherwise ordered by a special vote of the College; the presiding officer shall nominate one member who shall act as chairman of the committee; the member so nominated shall name a second, the second, a third and so on until the number of the committee is completed.

SECT. II.—No report of a committee shall be received excepting it be made in writing and signed by a majority thereof.

SECT. III.—Committees shall report at the meeting immediately succeeding that of their appointment, unless it be otherwise determined by an order or by-law of the College; and failing to make a final report at the proper time, unless a satisfactory reason therefor be given, the committee shall be discharged, and the subject dropped or referred to another committee, as the College shall by vote determine.

SECT. IV.—The reports of all committees shall be entered at length upon the minutes, unless when otherwise ordered by the College.

CHAPTER V.

OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

SECTION I.—The Board of Examiners shall, as soon as practicable after its election, meet, and organize by appointing one of its members to act as Chairman and another as Dean. The Board shall hold stated and other meetings as often as it may deem proper, and shall adopt such rules for its own government as may be found necessary, provided the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and by-laws of the College.

SECT. II.—The Board shall meet regularly during the months of March and November of every year, for the examination of such candidates for degrees in Medicine as have complied with the requisitions of the College, and duly registered their names with the Dean.

SECT. III.—The Board shall have power to make among its members such a distribution of the duty of examination as it

shall judge proper; but each member thereof present at an examination shall be required to express his opinion on the general fitness of the candidate for medical honors, without especial regard to the particular branch or branches upon which he shall be called to examine.

SECT. IV.—For conducting an examination, four members of the Board must be present during the whole time of its continuance, and in the event of the member appointed to examine on any branch being absent, the examination on that branch shall be conducted by one of the members present.

SECT. V.—Not less than one hour shall be devoted by the Board to the examination of each candidate, nor shall more than four candidates be examined within the same day.

SECT. VI.—To warrant a favourable report in relation to the qualifications of a candidate, it shall be required that four members of the Board vote in the affirmative.

SECT. VII.—Each candidate shall be examined on such branches of medicine and its collateral sciences as the College shall from time to time direct; *Provided*, however, that no alteration in relation to the course of instruction shall be permitted to prejudice the interests of any candidate who shall have pursued his preliminary studies, in good faith, according to the previous regulations of the College.

SECT. VIII.—No member of the Board of Examiners shall be permitted to express an opinion or to vote upon the professional attainments of any candidate, who is at the time or has been his private pupil.

SECT. IX.—All necessary expenses incurred by the Board of Examiners in the performance of the duties assigned to it shall be laid before the College in the form of a regular account, certified as correct by the chairman; and if approved it shall be paid by a warrant upon the Treasurer of the College.

SECT. X.—The Board of Examiners may, at their discretion, present written communications to the College recommending such changes in the scheme of instruction, as well as in the regulations for the admission of candidates, as may appear to them to be calculated to increase the usefulness of the institution and advance the character of the profession.

SECT. XI.—Each member of the Board of Examiners shall receive from the College such fees for the examination of each candidate, at which he shall have officiated agreeably to the regulations of the College, as it shall from time to time determine.

SECT. XII.—The Dean shall keep, in a book provided for the purpose, a full and regular list of all such candidates as, upon examination, have been approved of by the Board, showing their respective ages, the States to which they belong, and the date of their examination; which list shall be open, at all reasonable times, to the inspection of the members of the College.

SECT. XIII.—The Dean shall keep an accurate account of all sums of money received by him as fees from candidates registered for examination, and for diplomas; and shall pay the same over to the Treasurer of the College.

CHAPTER VI.

OF THE RECOGNITION OF LECTURERS.

SECTION I.—Any respectable graduate in medicine who is engaged in lecturing, in the city and county of Philadelphia, on any one of the branches embraced in the scheme of instruction laid down for the time being by the College, and who has de-

livered one or more courses of lectures thereon, may be proposed as a candidate for recognition at any stated meeting of the Board of Examiners. At the subsequent stated meeting, the said proposal shall be decided upon by ballot, and provided four votes are given in favour of the candidate his nomination shall be presented for the action of the College at its next stated meeting, when, if a majority of the members present shall confirm the nomination, the said lecturer shall be deemed duly recognised by the college; *Provided*, that the said recognition may at any time be recalled by a vote of the College.

SECT. II.—All lecturers, who shall have been duly recognised as above, shall be notified thereof by the Corresponding Secretary, and the recognition shall take effect from the first Monday in March, or the first Monday in November immediately succeeding the action thereon of the College.

SECT. III.—Teachers of subdivisions of any of the branches embraced in the scheme of instruction laid down by the College may be recognised in the manner pointed out in the first Section of this Chapter. The subdivisions which shall be deemed equivalent to the primary branch being at the same time declared by the College.

SECT. IV.—No lecturer or teacher whose proposal as a candidate for recognition by the College has been rejected by the Board of Examiners, or whose nomination to the College has been disapproved of by the vote of the latter, shall be again proposed in the Board of Examiners or renominated to the College, until after the expiration of one year from the date of action on his first proposal or nomination.

CHAPTER VII.

OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES IN MEDICINE.

SECTION I.—Any student of medicine who has complied with the regulations of the College may become a candidate for a degree in Medicine, and if he shall be found duly qualified by the Board of Examiners shall have the degree for which he was a candidate conferred upon him by the College.

SECT. II.—The candidates for degrees must have complied with the conditions specified in Articles VI. and VIII. of the Constitution; and present the certificates and tickets in proof thereof.

SECT. III.—A candidate for examination shall be required to register his name with the Dean during either the month of February or of October.

SECT. IV.—The candidate shall likewise, at the time of registry, present to the Dean a thesis of his own composition on some medical subject, and also the history in writing of two cases, the one medical and the other surgical, which he has observed and investigated in some public institution, in the private practice of his preceptor, or otherwise.

SECT. V.—Each candidate shall pay to the Dean at the time of his registry the sum of thirty dollars as the fee for examination, and he shall pay an additional sum of five dollars for his diploma, should he be approved of by the Board of Examiners.

SECT. VI.—The candidates whose names have been duly registered, shall, when notified to that effect by the Dean, present themselves, individually, before the Board of Examiners,

in order that they may undergo an examination upon the several branches included in the scheme of instruction laid down by the College. The examination shall be conducted by oral and written questions to be answered accordingly, orally or in writing, and shall embrace the thesis and cases presented by the candidate, as well as medicine in general. The candidate shall likewise be required to write prescriptions in Latin, both abbreviated and at length, agreeably to the customary formula.

CHAPTER VIII.

OF CONFERRING DEGREES.

SECTION I.—At the termination of each period of examination, the Dean shall report in writing to the College at its next meeting the names of those candidates who have been found deserving of the degrees in Medicine; when the presiding officer shall declare those candidates entitled to their respective degrees, and shall direct the Corresponding Secretary to cause the necessary diplomas to be prepared. The College shall then determine by vote the period at which the degrees shall be formally conferred upon the said candidates.

SECT. II.—The degree or degrees shall be formally conferred at a meeting of the College to be held for that purpose, and an address shall be delivered by the President, one of the Vice Presidents, or by a member selected by the College.

SECT. III.—All diplomas for degrees in medicine granted by the College shall be signed by the members of the Board of Examiners, and by the President, Vice Presidents, and Corresponding Secretary; which officers shall have the right of being present at all examinations.

CHAPTER IX.

OF THE ENACTMENT AND AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

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SECT. II.—For the adoption or alteration of any By-Law, the concurrence of at least two-thirds of the legal quorum (see By-Laws, Chap. 3, Sec. 3,) shall be required.

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